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RESPONSE TO APRIL 2, 2003 OFFICE ACTION
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In Response to the Office Action of April 2, 2003, reconsideration of the objections and/or rejections and further examination of the application are requested.

Petition for Extension of Time to Respond

The period for response is hereby extended **THREE** month(s) to expire October 2, 2003 by this Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time. A form PTO-2038 authorizing a charge for the appropriate petition fee of \$465 (37 CFR §1.17), plus \$96 in extra claims fees (as noted elsewhere in this paper), should accompany this Response.

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